

WASHINGTON- Congressman Lee Terry (R-NE) issued the following statement supporting three proposals to prohibit states from issuing driver's licenses to illegal immigrants:

**A driver's license is a privilege of being a citizen of the United States. We cannot hand out a license to anyone who wants one," said Congressman Terry. "Providing a driver's license to illegal immigrants is wrong and I will not stand for it," said Congressman Terry.**

Congressman Terry supports proposals offered by Peter King (R-NY), Pete Sessions (R-TX), Vito Fossella (R-NY) and Tom Latham (R-IA). The bill introduced by Congressman King and Congressman Sessions would prohibit states from issuing licenses and identification documents to individuals who are not lawfully present in the United States.

The bill introduced (HR 4160) by Congressman Fossella would withhold a portion of the state's federal highway funding if state issues driver's licenses that are not compliant with the Real ID Act, including giving licenses to illegal immigrants.

The resolution (H. Res. 800) introduced by Congressman Latham would express the sense of the House that states should not be issuing driver's licenses to illegal immigrants.

**"Giving illegal immigrants a license to drive would make it easier for would-be terrorists to get identification. We must never forget that the 9-11 terrorists obtained several state-issued identification documents or driver's licenses. I do not want to open the door to relive something of that magnitude again," said Congressman Terry.**

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